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SUBJ: CIEC -- TRADE ISSUES -- DEVELOPMENT IN RAW MATERIALS

COMMISSION -- MTN COMPLICATIONS

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1. MTN DEL WISHES COMMEND U.S. DRAFTERS OF REFTEL TEXT WHICH GIVES US NO SUBSTANTIVE PROBLEMS. IF, IN COURSE OF EFFORTS TO OBTAIN G-8 AND SUBSEQUENTLY G-19 SUPPORT, THE CHAPEAU LANGUAGE IN PARA 6 IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING SUBPARA A BECOMES SUBJECT OF REDRAFTING, SUGGEST U.S. DELEGATION BEAR IN MIND AND BE GUIDED BY EXACT LANGUAGE OF TNC DECISION NOV 5 SETTING UP THE FRAMEWORK

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GROUP, RELEVANT PORTION OF WHICH READS QUOTE THE GROUP

SHALL SEEK TO NEGOTIATE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE INTERNATIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR THE CONDUCT OF WORLD TRADE, PARTICULARLY WITH RESPECT TO TRADE BETWEEN DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND DIFFERENTIAL AND MORE FAVORABLE TREATMENT TO BE ADOPTED IN SUCH TRADE UNQUOTE.

2. IN CONNECTION WITH PARA 6F, DIFFICULTIES MTN DEL ENCOUNTERED IN GENEVA IN GETTING ANY REFERENCE TO EXPORT RESTRICTIONS IN FRAMEWORK GROUP SUGGESTS EITHER CANADA AMONG G-8 OR ANY ONE OF A NUMBER OF LDC'S AMONG G-19 WILL PRESS FOR DELETION OF THIS SUBPARA. IN TNC NOVEMBER 5, THIS DISAGREEMENT HAD TO BE FINESSED WITH CHAPEAU LANGUAGE SUGGESTING THERE WAS A CONVERGENCE OF VIEWS ON THE WORK PROGRAM "AS A WHOLE" BUT MANY DELEGATIONS HAD RESERVATIONS ABOUT THE SPECIFICS; ONE OF THE POINTS IN THE FRAMEWORK GROUP'S WORK PROGRAM READS QUOTE AN EXAMINATION OF EXISTING GATT RULES CONCERNING THE APPLICATION OF RESTRICTIONS AT THE BORDER THAT AFFECT EXPORTS, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE DEVELOPMENT NEEDS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES UNQUOTE.

3. IF OTHERS SEEK DELETION OF PARA 6F REFTEL AND IF CHAPEAU OF PARA 6 IS ALSO REOPENED, WE SUGGEST U.S. CIEC DELEGATION SEEK A SLIGHT CHANGE IN LAST SENTENCE BEFORE SUBPARA A: IF THE PHRASE "UNDERTAKE A BALANCED PROGRAM OF WORK INCLUDING" COULD BE SUBSTITUTED FOR THE SINGLE WORD "CONSIDER," THE POTENTIALLY PREJUDICIAL IMPLICATIONS FOR THE MTN OF THE DISAPPEARANCE OF PARA 6F COULD BE MINIMIZED. WALKER

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